



**Do you have an innovative project in mind but need a little cash?**

**Apply for a NILA MINI-GRANT today!**

Take advantage of this opportunity for international language teachers in Nebraska. Up to 5 (five) Mini-Grants will be awarded to innovative classroom projects from across the state.

**ELIGIBILITY:** K-12 WORLD LANGUAGE Teachers

**GUIDELINES:** Mini-Grants are designed to fund classroom projects identified by teachers as activities they would like to perform to benefit their students, school, and/or community. Projects must contain clear goals that are congruent with best practices in language teaching. This grant should be used to provide for single events or classroom projects/strategies and should not be used to supplement projects already underway or already funded from other sources. The ability to replicate the project is also desired but not essential. Check the NILA website for examples of projects funded by mini-grants in the past.

**SELECTION CRITERIA:** Applications will be considered based on:

- \*educational benefit to students
- \*integration of proposed project with learning goals
- \*number of people impacted

**FUNDING:** Mini-Grants of up to \$100 are available for projects on a one-time-only basis. Because funding is limited, projects requesting small amounts will be given consideration. Applicants should avoid asking for funds that could be found through other sources or that require a continuing commitment of funds beyond the original proposal.

**DEADLINE:** February 18, 2015

**AWARDS:** If approved, applicants should receive funds within 30 days. Recipients are asked to fill out a reflection sheet upon completion of their project, and recipients are expected to attend the NILA conference in the fall to be recognized. Projects will be showcased on the NDE World Language Education Website and announced to the membership at the Fall NILA Conference.

**QUESTIONS?** Contact Nick Ziegler at [nebraska.languages@gmail.com](mailto:nebraska.languages@gmail.com).

The NILA mini-grant Application Form can be found below. Submit your application form to Nick Ziegler: [nebraska.languages@gmail.com](mailto:nebraska.languages@gmail.com) or by mail at ESU 5, attn: Nick Ziegler, 900 West Court, Beatrice, NE 68310

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